IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
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Christoph Plass	) Group Art Unit: 1634
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Application No.: 09/775,398	) Examiner: Carla J. Myers
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Filed: January 31, 2001	) Attorney Docket No.: 22727/04075
	)
For: Detection of Methylated CpG Rich	)
Sequences Diagnostic for	)
Malignant Cells	)

Mail Stop Petition
Commissioner For Patents
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION TO WITHDRAW FROM ISSUE--ISSUE FEE PAID--TO PERMIT CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) HAVING AN INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2))

Applicant hereby petitions for the withdrawal of the above-referenced application from issue. The issue fee for this case was paid on January 5, 2004.

The application has not yet been scheduled to issue. The reason for the request for withdrawal from issue of this application is for consideration of a Request for Examination ("RCE") having a supplemental Information Disclosure Statement ("IDS"). 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c)(2). The reason is also because Applicant failed to timely notify the Office of a corresponding foreign filing after requesting non-publication in the present case.

An RCE having an IDS is being filed with this Petition. This withdrawal from issuance is being requested so that the PTO will be able to consider the references in the supplemental
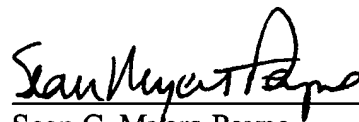
IDS accompanying the RCE and so that the Office can act on a concurrently filed Petition to Revive an Unintentionally Abandoned Application.

It is believed that no additional fees are due with this petition; however, if any additional fees are due in this matter, please charge same to Deposit Account No. 03-0172.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Applicant's attorney below.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 24, 2004

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